

Erarta Museum Announces the 2023 Erarta Prize Longlist

On 31 August, Erarta Museum inaugurated the first ever contemporary art Prize to be judged by the viewers. Having reviewed all entries for the Prize, the museum is ready to announce its longlist. It comprises 61 artists whose works will be displayed at the special exhibition organised to determine the winners through a public vote. The total prize value of 3.2 million rubles will be distributed between ten artists (2.5 million rubles) and the viewers (700,000 rubles).

From 9 February through 11 June 2023, Erarta's main exhibition space will showcase the creations by our contemporaries selected by the museum out of the entire pool of works submitted by the artists competing for the Prize. For the first time in history, the Prize will be awarded through a public vote rather than by a closed board of experts. The exhibition will feature paintings, drawings, prints, sculptures, photographs, video and multimedia art, installations, as well as other contemporary art media.

On 10 January, Erarta Museum finalised the list of 61 Prize contestants. They are:

Vladimir Abikh	Yustina Komissarova
Alexey Andreyev	Yaroslava Komissarova
Alexey Apish	Sergey Karev
Rinat Akhmetov	Dmitry Kawarga
Stas Bags	Alexey Kessel
Olga Batyrshina	Nikita Kulnev
Maria Bogoraz	Dmitry Kaminker
Anton Bratykin	Dmitry Loktionov
Aristarkh Chernyshyov	Vilgeniy Melnikov
Evgenia Davletshina	Eduard Mkhoyan
DASHA ART	Olga Muravina
Ksenia Efimova	Natalya Merkulyeva
Nikolai Endegor	Igor Mikhailenko
Nikita Evdokimov	Olga Pavlova
Oleg Echo	Andrey Sikorsky
Vyacheslav Ereschuk	Sergey Sekirin
Georgy Frangulyan	Maria Suvorova
Antonina Fathullina	Rustam Syunyakov
Alexander Grigoryev	Andrey Shatilov
Vadim Grigoryev-Bashun	Yulia Sopina
Elena Grishayeva (Dj Le Nochka)	Nino Samadashvili
Dinara Hörtnagl	Tamerlane Tles
Victoria Ivanova	Dmitry Trubin
Aydar Ishemgulov	Natalya Veneva
Galina Kazarinova	Alexey Vorobyov
Katarina Kano	Timofey Volkov
Olesya Kot	Semyon Zhokhov

Anastasia Kuznetsova-Ruf
Nadezhda Kosinskaya
Alexander Koryashkin
Vadim Komissarov

Alexander Zhernoklyuyev
Dmitry Zhukov
Evgeniy Zarembo

The winners will be determined by two rounds of viewer voting: on 10 April, 10 artworks will be shortlisted based on the outcome of the viewers' secret ballot vote, while on the show's closing date the results of the viewers' open public vote will be announced. The 2.5 million rubles of prize money will be distributed among the creators of the top 10 artworks in proportion to the number of viewer votes received. Every viewer shall have one vote for each round. The 700,000 rubles worth of prize money will be distributed among the viewers deemed by Erarta to be the most committed to and creative in supporting their favourite artworks.

Erarta invites everyone to take an active part in organising the exhibition and finalising its results. Please visit prize.erarta.com to find out more.

About the Prize

Erarta Prize is an annual contemporary art prize inaugurated by Erarta Museum. Prize winners will be determined by the majority of votes given by the viewers for their favourite artwork in an open public vote rather than by a closed board of experts. This premise is consistent with Erarta's core philosophy: art is being created by the artist, but it is the viewers' perception that makes it truly powerful. That is why Erarta encourages the viewers to not only vote for the artworks of their choice, but to actively campaign for them and promote them using any creative methods imaginable. The voting will take place at a special exhibition curated and staged by Erarta Museum.

Please visit prize.erarta.com to learn more about the Prize.



About Erarta Museum

Erarta is the largest private museum of contemporary art in Russia. Its permanent collection features over 2,800 works by more than 300 artists from all across the country as well as several signature projects created by Erarta: U-Space total installations, Audio Installations, Art-Literature, Art-Animation, and others. Erarta Museum was repeatedly mentioned as a top choice tourist attraction by the world's leading Lonely Planet guidebooks, ranks among the top 10 museums in Russia on TripAdvisor travel website, was spotlighted as one of the '5 Cultural Gems in St. Petersburg' by National Geographic, and became the country's first contemporary art museum to be featured on Google Arts and Culture Project.

In addition to the permanent collection, Erarta annually stages more than 40 exhibitions alternately focusing on painting, sculpture, photography, fashion, design, architecture, and video art. Every year, Erarta attracts nearly half a million visitors.

Please visit www.erarta.com to learn more about Erarta Museum.

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